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REBUTTALS

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1. PROSECUTION AND DEFENSE REBUTTALS DELIVERED AT 51ST SESSION SIREGAR TRIAL NOVEMBER 23. FOLLOWING BASED ON PRESS REPORTS.

2. PROSECUTOR ROMPAS, IN ONE AND ONE-HALF HOUR STATE-. MENT, REAFFIRMED DEMAND FOR CONVICTION AND 12-YEAR SENTENCE AND REJECTED DEFENSE ASSERTIONS THAT GOI ATTITUDE TOWARDS YOUNG GENERATION AS A WHOLE IS INVOLVED IN TRIAL. ROMPAS STRESSED SIREGAR BEING TRIED FOR UNDERMINING STATE PHILOSOPHY PANCASILA AND 1945 CONSTI- TUTION THROUGH EFFORT TO TEAR DOWN GOVERNMENT, CHANGE NATIONAL LEADERSHIP, AND ALTER STATE POLICY AND DEVELOPMENT PLAN. ROMPAS SUGGESTED THAT ONLY THOSE WHO AGREE WITH THESE POLITICAL GOALS WOULD COME TO SIREGAR'S SUPPORT.

3. RESPONDING TO DEFENSE CRITICISMS OF "NON-SPECIFIC" PROSECUTION STATEMENTS CONCERNING "GROUP" BEHIND SIREGAR, ROMPAS DEFINED THREE CATEGORIES OF STUDENT PROTESTERS:
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1)"PURE" GROUP DESIRING TO IMPROVE CONDITIONS; 2) GROUP

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WITH POLITICAL PURPOSE OF CHANGING NATIONAL LEADERSHIP;
AND 3) "NON-STUDENTS," INCLUDING "PERMANENT STUDENTS."
ROMPAS SAID SIREGAR BELONGED TO SECOND GROUP, ALONG WITH
SEVERAL OTHER STUDENT COUNCIL AND DISCUSSION GROUP FIGURES
INCLUDING DISCUSSION GROUP SECRETARY SJACHRIR AND AUTHOR
OF OCT. 24 PETITION HUSEIN SASONGKO.

49)ROMPAS REVIEWED GOVERNMENT CHARGES AGAINST SIREGAR
UNDER 1963 SECURITY DECREEE, AND CHARACTERIZED DEFENSE
PRESENTATION AS FORCED AND NONSENSICAL. HE DECLINED TO
RESPOND TO ELEMENTS OF DEFENSE STATEMENT WHICH CONSTITUTED
"LECTURING" ON LAW, SOCIOLOGY AND POLITICS.

5. DEFENSE READ ONE-PAGE REBUTTAL TERMING ROMPS PRESENTA-
TION AS "DEFENSIVE," CONTAINING NOTHING NEW, AND NOT
RESPONDING TO DEFENSE POINTS THAT GOVERNMENT HAD NOT PROVEN
SIREGAR RESPONSIBILITY FOR JANUARY 15 VIOPGNCE AND THAT
DEFMIN PANGGABEAN IN JANUARY 14 STATEMENT HAD DESCRIBED
PRE-JANUARY 11 STUDENT PROTEST ACTIVIZOES AS "PURE."

6. TRIAL WILL RECONVENE DEC. 12 TO HEAR VERDICT.
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